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2. Monticello, Fla	1846	Bishop J. O. Andrew	P. P. Smith.
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14. Thomasville, Ga			
15. Jacksonville, Fla			
16. Micanopy, Fla. Dec.			
17 Monticello, Fla			
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25. Jacksonville, Fla			
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28. Madison, Fla		-	
29 Fernandina, Fla			
30. Jacksonville, Fla			
31. Live Oak, Fla			
32. Qnincy, Fla			
33. Monticello, Fla			
34Tampa, Fla			
35. Gainesville, Fla			
36 Tallahassee, Fla			
37 Ocala, Fla			
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40. Madison, Fla	Jan. 9-14, 1884.	Bishop J. C. Keene	r F. Pasco.
41. Gainesville, Fla			
42 .Orlando, Fla	Jan. 6-11, 1886.	Bishop R. K. Hargi	roveF. Pasco.
43Tallahassee, Fla			
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6 C. S. ByrdWelborn	83 H. B. Someillan † Key West 84 W. H. Steinmeyer Altoona				
7 T. PishopApopka	84 W. H. Steinmeyer Altoona 85 R. Stork, D White Springs				
8 S. B. Black † Anclote	ou de laylor, Sy				
9 E. L. T. BlakeMicanopy	of J. R. Taylor				
10 W. G. Boothe, Sd., †Concord 11 F. R. Bridges Palatka	88 C. C. Thomson Fruitland				
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14 J. S. Collier Ft. Ogden	91 G. D. Turner. Manatee 92 R. M. Tydings, Sd. Anthony				
15 W. C. CollinsOcala	93 R. O. Weir. D				
16 D. A. Cole, D Palmetto	1 94 T. M. White, D Cotton Plant				
17 J. P. DePassArcher	95 R L. WigginsOcala				
18 W. J. Dowell, D Fernandina	96 C. J. Williams, Floral City				
19 J. T. Duncan	97 S. Woodbery, SdQuincy				
20 T. W. Dye† Clear Water 21 T. J. Euans Lake City					
22 R. W. Evans, D. Madison	LAY DELEGATES.				
22 R. W. Evans, D. Madison 23 H. B. Frazee, P. F. Jacksonville	TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.				
24 J. W. Folsom. McClenny	G. I. Davis †				
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26 S. S. GasqueMt. Pleasant	T TurnbullMicosuki				
27 E. F. Gates, Sy., † Manatee 28 E. H. Giles Melrose	Judge J T. Bernard Tallahassee				
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51 J. A. Giddens, D Key West	J. N. Stibling, Esq., † Madison				
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42 M. R. Johnson, Sd Jacksonville	Dr. G. T. Welch †Volusia				
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44 W. C. Jordan Bartow 45 H. H. Kennedy Jacksonville	E. O. Wilson				
46 G. J Kenelly, DMandarin	A. S. Harvey Wildwood				
47 B. E. LedbetterMicosuki	Rev. W. M. WallerOrlando				
48 George Lee, DFt. Dade	N A. Carter Ft. Dade				
49 E. F. LeyMaitland	TAMPA DISTRICT.				
50 J. B. LeyKissimmee	J. Lenfesty Auclote				
51 J. C. Ley	Rev. E. S. Tyner				
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55 H. S. Miller Poru	PREACHERS ON TRIAL.				
56 G. W. Mitchell	CLASS OF SECOND YEAR.				
57 L. W. MooreJacksonville	A. H. Gibbens Moultrie				
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76 A. A. Robinson, P.ELive Oak	S. Scott				
J. D. RogersMt. Tabor	H. A. H. CrumptonLevyville				
78 I. Ryder, DAuburndale	W. S. McManninLake Butler				
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MINUTES OF THE 44th SESSION OF THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, HELD AT LEESBURG, BEGINNING DECEMBER 14th AND ENDING DECEMBER 19th, 1887.

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SECRETARY.

PRESIDENT.

Ques. 1. Who are admitted on trial? Charles W. Braswell, Ira S. Patterson, Benjamin T. Rape, Thomas M. Strickland, Henry W. Joiner, Albert M. Dayger, Jeremiah L. Rast, Joseph F. Bell, George W. Sellers, William J. Whidden, George W. Forrest, John C. Pace, Joseph F. Shands, Samuel Scott. (14)

QUES. 2. Who remain on trial? A. H. Gibbons, J. M. Sweat, J. W. Porter, James Bolton.

J. S. Barnett, H. A. H. Crumpton, W. S. McMannin—in class of first year. (7)

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. J. Dowell, D. A. Cole, W. J. Gray, A. O. Hiscock, C. W. Inman, J. N. Jones, W. J. Morris, F. Pixton, T. B. Reynolds, I. Ryder, R. Stork, J. A. Giddens, C. J. Williams.

QUES. 5. Who are re-admitted? None.

QUES. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? C. J. Williams, South Georgia Conference; C. C. Thomson, Western Virginia Conference; G. Taylor, Holston Conference; T. Griffith, Denver Conference; B. T. Thrower, St. Louis Conference; T. W. Dye, North Mississippi Conference; W. F. Shoemaker, St. John's River Conference M. E. Church.

QUES. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Thomas J. Euans (already an elder), L. W. Browder, T. Griffith, T. M. White.

R. M. Evans, Joseph E. Neal—in class of third year. (6)

QUES. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? W. J. Dowell, C. J. Williams, D. A. Cole, T. B. Reynolds, I. Ryder, J. A. Giddens, F. Pixton.

QUES. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? W. J. Dowell, C. J. Williams, D. A. Cole, T. B. Reynolds, I. Ryder, J. A. Giddens, F. Pixton. (7)

- QUES. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Alexander H. Gibbons, Edwin B. Pooser, John H. McDowell, Oscar E. Badger. (4)
- QUES. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? A. H. Gibbons, E. B. Pooser, O. E. Badger, J. A. Cain, W. C. G. Kilgore, A. M. C. Russell. (6)
- Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Levi W. Moore. (1)
- QUES. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Levi W. Moore.
 - QUES. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? John C. Pace. (1)
 - QUES. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? John C. Pace. (1)
 - QUES. 16. Who are located this year? A. A. Presbry. (1)
- QUES. 17. Who are supernumerary? Edwin F. Gates, Grincefield Taylor. (2)
- QUES. 18. Who are superannuated? A. Johnson, W. G. Boothe, A. Peeler, R. M. Tydings, S. Woodbery, J. L. M. Spain, E. G. Chandler, W. R. Johnson. (8)
- QUES. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? John R. Crowder, David W. Core. (2)
- QUES. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? This was strictly attended to. James Russell (a deacon) was expelled.
- QUES. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Local Preachers, 155; White Members, 17,328; Colored, 17.
- QUES. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 894.
- QUES. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,117.
 - QUES. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 262.
 - QUES. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,534.
 - QUES. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 10,767.
- QUES. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.
- QUES. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$2,216.14, and distributed among the claimants.
- QUES. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign missions, \$2,331.01; Foreign Missions from Week of Self-denial, \$1,271.97; Domestic Missions, \$1,870.50; total, \$5,470.48.
- QUES, 30. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$479.85, Church Extension proper; \$34.70, Woman's Department; total \$514.55.

QUES. 31. What is the number and what is the estimated value of church edifices? Number, 197; value, \$175,990.

QUES. 32. What is the number and what is the estimated value of parsonages? Number, 45, value, \$46,625; value of lots, etc., \$29,506.

QUES. 33. What are the educational statistics? One School Building and Boarding House, value, \$13,000; Teachers, 4; Pupils, 75.

Ques. 34. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Bartow.

Ques. 35. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1888.

[The numbers indicate the consecutive appointment of incumbent to the charge.]

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT-E. H. HARMAN, P. E. 3.

Tallahassee, H. E. Partridge, 2.
Leon Circuit, B. E. Ledbetter, 2.
Monticello, J. F. Marshall, 2.
Jefferson Circuit, J. S. Barnett, 3.
Mosley Hall and Perry, C. W. Braswell, 1.
Waukeenah Circuit, R. H. Howren, 4.
Wakulla and Carrabelle, A. O. Hiscock, 2.
Quincy, B. T. Rape, 1.
Gadsden Circuit, S. S. Gasque, 1.
Concord Circuit, I. S. Patterson, 1.
Liberty Mission, W. J. Gray, 3.
'Apalachicola, Wm. M. McIntosh, 2.

LIVE OAK DISTRICT-A. A. ROBINSON, P. E., 2.

Madison, T. J. Nixon, 1.

Madison Circuit, T. B. Reynolds, 1.

Ellaville Circuit, R. M. Evans, 1.

Live Oak, A. A. Barnett, 1.

Jasper Circuit, J. G. Graham, 1.

White Springs Circuit, R. Stork, 1.

Lake City, T. J. Euans, 2.

Welborn Circuit, C. S. Byrd, 1.

Columbia Circuit, J. D. Rogers, 2.

McClenny Circuit, J. W. Folsom, 1.

Troy Circuit, J. E. Neal, 1.

Newnansville Circuit, T. J. Phillips, 2.

Lake Butler Circuit, W. S. McMannin, 2.

New Harmony Circuit, J. W. Porter, 2.

Corinth Circuit, C. W. Inman 4.

GAINSVILLE DISTRICT-W. S. RICHARDSON, P. E. 1.

Gainesville, T. W. Tomkies, 1. Starke, J. R. Sharpe, 1. Waldo Circuit, W. J. Morris, 1. Melrose Circuit, E. H. Giles, 3. Orange Spring Circuit, J. N. Jones, 1. Micanopy Circuit, E. L. T. Blake, 1. Bronson Circuit, S. E. Phillips, 2.

Archer and Arredonda, J. P. DePass, 1.
Cedar Key, J. C. Ley, 2.
Levy Mission, H. A. H. Crumpton, 1.
Marion Circuit, T. M. White, 2.
Ocala, R. L. Wiggins, 1.
Anthony Circuit, T. Griffith, 1.
Citra, R. L. Honiker, 2.
Milwood Mission, to be supplied.
Blue Springs Mission, W. C. Collins, 1.
Lady Lake Mission, S. Scott.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT—H. B. FRAZEE, P. E. 2.

Jacksonville, St. Paul's, H. H. Kennedy, 3. LaVilla and Brooklyn, L. W. Moore, 1. Duval Mission, J. L. Rast, 1. Lower St. John's Mission to be supplied. Fernandina, W. J. Dowell. Nassau Circuit, J. T. Duncan, 3. Green Cove, A. M. Dayger, 1. Mandarin Mission, George J. Kennelly, 3. Palatka, F. R. Bridges. W. Putnam Mission, N. R. Hamer, 2. St. Augustine Mission, A. H. Gibbons, 1. Fruitland Circuit, C. C. Thomson, 1. Seville Circuit, C. L. Patillo, 1. Enterprise Circuit, W. F. Alexauder, 1. Sanford, J. Anderson and one to be supplied. Indian River Mission, James Bolton, 2. Duval High School, F. Pasco, 2.

ORLANDO DISTRICT—W. F. NORTON, P. E. 1.

Orlando, W. M. Poage, 1; G. Taylor, supernumary. Lake Jessup Circuit, C. A. Saunders, 3. Kissimmee, J. B. Ley. Apopka Circuit, T. Bishop, 1. Maitland Circuit, Edw. F. Ley, 2. Tavares Mission, J. C. Pace, 1. Altoona and Umatilla, W. H. Steinmeyer, 2. Altoona Mission, G. W. Sellers, 1. Lisbon Circuit, J. H. D. McRae, 1 Leesburg, R. H. Barnett, 1. Yalaha Mission, W. F. Shoemaker, 1; J. L. M. Spain, supernumerary. Wildwood Circuit, W. H. Parker, 1. Sumterville Circuit, F. Pixton, 1. Stewart's Chapel Circuit, T. S. Armistead, 1. Brooksville, H. W. Joiner, 1. Fort Dade Circuit, G. Lee, 1.

Floral City Circuit, C. J. Williams, 1.

Hernando Mission, G. W. Forrest, 1.

Mannfield Mission, R. O. Weir, 1.

Agent Conference High School, T. W. Moore.

TAMPA DISTRICT-E. J. HOLMES, P. E., 2.

Tampa, C. E. Pelot, 2, and J. F. Bell, 1.

Hillsborough Circuit, S. B. Black, 1.

Clear Water Circuit, T. W. Dye, 1.

Plant City and Lakeland, A. E. Householder, 2.

Alafia Circuit, G. W. Mitchell, 1.

Keysville Mission, H. S. Miller, 1.

Auburndale Mission, I Ryder, 2.

Bartow, B. T. Thrower, 1.

Fort Green Mission, W. C. Jordan, 1.

Fort Meade and Homeland Circuit, J. R. Taylor, 2.

Manatee, G. D. Turner, 1; E. F. Gates, supernumerary.

Palmetto Circuit, D. A. Cole, 1.

Pine Level Circuit, T. M. Strickland, 1.

Fort Ogden, J. S. Collier, 1.

Myers and Caloosahatchie, J. A. Castel, 2, and W. J. Whidden, 1.

Key West—First Charge and Cuban Mission, C. A. Fullwood, 2; H. B. Somelian, 2.

Key West-Spark's Chapel and Rocky Road Mission, W. H. F. Robarts, 2, and J. A. Giddens, 3.

Key Largo Circuit, J. M. Sweat, 2.

Conference Colporteur and S. S. Agent, J. F. Shands, 1.

Transferred—L. W. Browder to Louisville Conference; E. C. Castlebery to Arkansas Conference; J. W. Hanner, Jr., to Tennessee Conference; J. L. Taylor to S. W. Missouri Conference,

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY-WEDNESDAY.

The Forty-Fourth Session of the Florida Conference, M. E. Church, South, met in the Methodist Church at Leesburg, Fla., December 14,

1887, at 9 A. M., Bishop J. S. Key, D. D., presiding.

Hymn 272—"And are we yet alive"—was sung. The Bishop led in prayer, after which he read Chapter 11 of II Corinthians. Hymn 561—"Chilldren of the Heavenly King"—was sung, and E. H. Giles led in prayer. F. Pasco called the roll, and sixty-three clerical and seven lay members answered to their names. F. Pasco was elected Secretary, and H. E. Partridge, T. J. Nixon and A. A. Barnett, assistants.

Upon nomination of the Presiding Elders, the following Committees

were appointed:

Public Worship—T. W. Tomkies, F. R. Bridges and J. Hollingsworth. District Conference Records—W. M. McIntosh, A. A. Barnett, W. S. Richardson, J. B. Ley, L. W. Moore and A. E. Householder.

Temperance-T. Turnbull, J. D. Rogers, W. N. Sheats, A. S. Harvey,

T. W. Moore and T. J. Nixon.

Church Property—H. E. Partridge, J. N. Stripling, J. R. Sharpe, J. T. Duncan, R. H. Barnett and J. Lenfestey.

Bible Cause—C. A. Saunders, S. E. Phillips, B. E. Ledbetter and W. F. Alexander.

Books and Periodicals—J. W. Tucker, J. F. White, E. L. T. Blake, H. W. Long, J. Anderson and C. A. Fulwood.

On motion, the Committee on Memoirs of last session, was appointed a standing committee, to hold with other standing committees, viz.: B. H. Harman, H. E. Partridge, R. H. Barnett and J. C. Ley.

The hours for meeting and adjournment were fixed at 8:30 A. M. and 12:30 P. M.

Communications were read from Rev. D. Morton, D. D., Secretary of Church Extension Board, and from Rev. J. D. Barbee, D. D., Book Agent, and referred to the appropriate committees.

A. A. Robinson presented the report of the Visiting Committee to Wesleyan Female College, which was referred to the Board of Educa-

tion.

The following were introduced to the Conference: Revs. J. W. Burke and C. J. Williams, South Georgia Conference; C. C. Thomson, West Virginia Conference; Thomas Griffith, Denver Conference; G. Taylor, Holston Conference; Dr. J. Younge, Texas; E. A. Wilson and J. Munsinger; and H. H. Sturgis, pastor of the Baptist Church.

Under Question 20, the names of the Presiding Elders were called; they represented the work on their districts and their characters passed, viz: E. H. Harman, A. A. Robinson, W. F. Norton, H. B. Frazee, T. W. Tomkies and E. J. Holmes.

The following were called, their characters passed, and cases referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for superannuated or supernumerary relation: A. Johnson, R. M. Tydings, W. G. Boothe, A. Peeler and E. F. Gates.

S. Woodbery's name was called, his character passed, and he made a very touching address, stating that after more than forty years' service in the Conference, he was, from physical disabilities, no longer able to take active work.

The Conference sang, "E'en down to old age," etc., and his name was referred as above.

The Bishop announced transfers to this Conference. (See General Minutes.)

J. T. Bernard, C. W. White and W. N. Sheats, were appointed on Board of Missions, vice T. A. Carruth, G. W. Taylor and J. R. Crawford, absent, and W. C. Collins on Committee on Conference Relations, vice W. F. Norton, resigned.

The following announcements for preaching: 3 P. M., Baptist Church. J. A. Castel; 7 P. M., Methodist Church, J. W. Burke; A. M. E. Church, W. H. Parker.

After singing, "Lord in the strength of grace," the Conference adjourned, with the benediction by the Bishop.

SECOND DAY-THURSDAY.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by J. F. Marshall. Five clerical and six lay delegates, additional, answered to roll call.

J. W. Tucker was placed on Joint Board of Finance to fill a vacancy

J. R. Sharpe was appointed to represent the Southern Methodist Publishing House in the absence of the business manager.

Rev. Young J. Allen, D. D., LL. D., Missionary to China, was introduced to the Conference.

The following of the Class of the Second Year were called, their characters passed, their examinations approved by the committee, and their reports rendered: C. W. Inman, J. N. Jones, A. O. Hiscock, W. J. Gray, W. J. Morris, R. Stork (all previously ordained deacons), and W. J. Dowell, F. Pixton, D. A. Cole, T. B. Reynolds and I. Ryder, who were elected to deacons' orders, together with C. J. Williams, a transfer from the South Georgia Conference. J. A. Giddens of this class, being detained in Tampa by quarantine laws, was continued in Class of Second Year, his character passing.

Class of Fourth Year was called. T. J. Euans, character passed, and not having been before the Examining Committee, he was continued in

same class. J. Russell was reported, having been suspended during the year, and a committee was asked to try the case. L. W. Moore, character passed, examination approved, and he elected to elders' orders.

The Class of the First Year was called, characters passed and reports rendered. A. H. Gibbons, J. M. Sweat, J. W. Porter and J. Bolton were advanced to Class of Second Year, the committee reporting approved examinations; and H. A. H. Crumpton, J. S. Barnett and W. S. McMannin, not having appeared before the committee, were continued in First Year's Class.

A. H. Gibbons was elected to deacons' orders as a local preacher, having been four years a licentiate.

G. Lee, G. J. Kennelly, S. S. Gasque and R. O. Weir were called, characters passed, reports rendered, and examinations being approved they were advanced to Class of Fourth Year.

Rev. Dr. Allen addressed the Conference on our missionary work in China.

The Bishop appointed the following Committee of Trial in case of J. Russell: W. M. Poage, R. H. Barnett, T. J. Euans, C. A. Fulwood, A. E. Householder, W. S. Richardson, G. D. Turner, B. E. Ledbetter, C. E. Pelot, with J. Anderson as chairman, and A. A. Barnett, secretary.

Announcements for public worship: Baptist Church 3 P. M., Woman's Missionary Society Meeting, to be addressed by Dr. Allen; Methodist Church, 7 P. M., Missionary Anniversary, addresses by Dr. Allen and Bishop Key; A. M. E. Church, T. J. Euans.

After singing a verse of "Rock of Ages," the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY

was held in the Methodist Church at 7 P. M., Thursday, presided over by Rev. J. P. DePass, President Conference Board of Missions. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by A. A. Robinson. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were received, and a few earnest words from Mrs. J. T. Harris, President of the Florida Conference W. M. Society, were heard. A large audience listened with intense interest to Dr. Allen as he recounted his labors for twenty-seven years in China, and urged the importance of the Church's occupying efficiently and earnestly the fields of China and Japan. Bishop Key followed with an appeal which stirred the heart. A collection was taken amounting to \$207.19. The meeting adjourned with the doxology and benediction.

THIRD DAY-FRIDAY.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by C. E. Pelot. The minutes were read and approved. The report of I. S. Hopkins, D. D., President of Emory College, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

L. D. Palmer, Business Manager Southern Methodist Publishing House, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interests of the house. At the request of J. R. Sharpe, a committee was granted to investigate certain allegations concerning his business transactions. The Bishop appointed T. W. Moore, E. H. Giles and T. J. Phillips. A similar request was made by J. W. Folsom and granted; committee, Taylor, J. F. Marshall and E. L. T. Blake.

H. E. Partridge made a statement concerning the publication of the minutes, and upon resolution offered by C. E. Pelot (see resolutions), H. E. Partridge and F. R. Bridges were appointed Editors of Minutes.

The call of the Class of the Third Year was resumed: L. W. Browder, T. M. White and T. Griffith, characters passed, reports rendered, examinations approved, and they advanced to Class of Fourth Year. R. M. Evans and J. E. Neal not having been before the Committee, they were continued in Third Year Class, their reports being received and their characters passing. J. L. M. Spain's character was passed, and his health having failed, his case was referred to the Committee on Relations.

A touching letter from E. G. Chandler (an elder) was read, announcing his health having failed, and his case was referred to same Committee, his character passing.

The following local preachers were elected to deacons' orders, being duly recommended by their respective quarterly conferences: J. H. Mc-Dowell, Lower St. John's Mission; Edwin B. Pooser, Enterprise Mission; O. E. Badger, Floral City Mission.

The Class for admission into Full Connection was called before the Bishop and asked the usual disciplinary questions. The Bishop's address to them was fervent and forceful, and upon motion the class was received, the Bishop giving to each the right hand of welcome, and the Conference joined in singing, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" (See names in General Minutes.)

Dr. W. W. Breese was introduced to the Conference, and represented the publishers of the Florida Chistian Advocate.

The Committee of Trial in the case of J. Russell, made its report, and nouncing that the charge had been sustained and J. Russell had been expelled from the Church.

The Florida Advocate Publishing Committee made a brief report, which was referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

Rev. Dr. Richmond, of the E. N. Y. Conference, M. E. Church, was introduced to the Conference.

W. H. Steinmeyer was elected an Assistant Secretary.

The following announcements were made for public worship: 3 P. M., Baptist Church, T. Griffith; 7 P. M., Methodist Church, H. E. Partridge; Presbyterian, J. C. Ley; A. M. E. Church, W. M. Waller; Colored Baptist, R. M. Evans.

G. Taylor's name was referred to the Committe on Conference Relations.

"O, to grace how great a debtor" was sung, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY-SATURDAY.

Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by E. H. Giles. The minutes were read and approved. The following were introduced to the Conference. Revs. W. A. Dodge, editor of the Way of Life; W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Paine Institute; H. W. Key, President of Andrew Female College; Z. A. Parker, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society; and S. B. Carson, North Mississippi Conference.

A communication from W. C. Bass, D. D., President of the Wesleyan Female College, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

W. F. Shoemaker, an elder in the M. E. Church, being recommended by the Floral City Mission Quarterly Conference, and assuming our ordination vows, was recognized as an elder in our Church.

J. A. Giddens, of the Class of the Second Year, being recommended by the Examining Committee, was elected to deacons' orders, and being called before the Bishop and answering the usual disciplinary questions, was by vote admitted into full connection.

John C. Pace, a local deacon, upon recommendation of the Altoona Quarterly Conference, and a certificate of his adherence to our doctrine and discipline, was elected to elders' orders.

The Committee in the case of J. R. Sharpe reported no cause for trial.

Report was adopted.

T. W. Moore, chairman, submitted the report of the Trustees of the Florida Conference High School and College, which, with a resolution offered by W. N. Sheats and T. Bishop, was referred to the Board of Education. Pending the report Judge J. F. White addressed the Conference.

J. T. Bernard, J. F. White and E. J. M. Padgett, were placed on the Board of Education to fill vacancies.

The following were admitted on trial: C. W. Braswell, I. S. Patterson, Mosely Hall and Perry Mission; T. M. Strickland, Wakulla and Carabelle Mission; H. W. Joiner, Madison Circuit; B. T. Rape, Starke; J. F. Bell, Melrose Circuit; J. L. Rast, Duval Mission; and A. M. Dayger, Ft. Dade Circuit.

A verse of "There is a fountain filled with blood" was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 2:30 P. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by W. A. Dodge. Minutes of the morning pession were read and approved. The report of the Committee on Books

and Periodicals was read and discussed. The resolutions were adopted seriatim, and the report, upon motion, was adopted.

J. P. DePass tendered his resignation as editor of the Florida Christian Advocate.

An invitation was extended by the citizens of Lecsburg to a steamboat excursion on Lake Harris.

The following announcement for Sunday services was made: Saturday 7 P. M., Methodist Church, Church Extension Anniversary, addresses by W. C. Dunlap and W. A. Dodge; Sunday, Methodist Church, 8:30 A. M., Love Feast, led by G. W. Mitchell; 11 A. M., preaching, by Bishop J. S. Key, followed by ordination of deacons; 3 P. M., W. A. Dodge, followed by ordination of elders; 7 P. M., President H. W. Key, followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, conducted by J. Anderson; Presbyterian Church, 11 A. M., J. Anderson; 3 P. M., Sunday School mass meeting, addresses by H. H. Kennedy and C. A. Saunders; 7 P. M., F. Pasco; Baptist Church, 11 A. M., W. M. Poage; 7 P. M., E. H. Harman.

The Conference joined in singing, "Then when the mighty work is wrought," and adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

CHURCH EXTENSION ANNIVERSARY

was held in the Methodist Church at 7 P. M., and presided over by Rev. C. A. Fulwood, President of the Conference Board. After devotional exercises the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and adopted. Mrs. M. C. Bryant, Cor. Secretary of the Woman's Depart. ment Church Extension, read a short address. Earnest and effective addresses were delivered by Revs. W. C. Dunlap and W. A. Dodge. H. E. Partridge being called upon by the chair, briefly explained the plan suggested by him and endorsed by the general officers to raise among the preachers of the M. E. Church, South, a loan fund of \$10,000 for a parsonage building to be called the PREACHERS' WIVES' LOAN FUND, five dollars constituting any preacher's wife a life patron of the fund. The Tallahassee Church sent by him five dollars to make Mrs. H. E. Partridge a life patron, thus starting the list in the Florida Conference. In a short while sixty names were secured for the list, placing the Florida Conference at the head in the number of life patrons secured. The meeting adjourned with the benediction.

SUNDAY SERVICES

were largely attended, very spiritual, and the evening service at the Methodist Church resulted in conversions and accessions to the church. A feature of the session was the daily sunrise prayer meeting, largely

attended and deeply spiritual.

FIFTH DAY-MONDAY.

. Conference met at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by S. B. Carson. The minutes of last session

were read and approved. H. E. Partridge moved to reconsider the vote on the fourth resolution of the report on Books and Periodicals, which being carried, he moved to strike out said resolution. H. W. Long moved the previous question, which call being ordered, the motion to

strike out was adopted.

J. P. DePass addressed the Conference, asking the acceptance of his resignation as editor of the Florida Christian Advocate, and pledging his hearty support to the paper. The resignation was accepted and the Conference unanimously passed a resolution concerning the retiring editor. (See resolutions.)

The Committee on Books and Periodicals was instructed to nominate

the Advocate Publishing Committee.

A resolution requiring the editor of the Advocate to reside at or near

the place of publication was adopted.

Admitted on trial: G. W. Sellers, Floral City Mission; G. W. Forrest, Keysville Mission; Sam'l Scott, Lady Lake Mission; W. J. Whidden, Ft. Green Circuit; J. C. Pace, Altoona Circuit; and J. F. Shands, Brooksville, having passed approved examinations.

W. F. Shoemaker was received from the St. Johns River Conference,

M. E. Church.

The presiding elders were authorized to employ E. A. Wilson.

The Committee in the case of J. W. Folsom reported that they deemed no trial necessary. Report adopted.

The Committee on Conference Relations made its report, which was adopted, and supernumerary and superannuated relations grante dto var-

jous brethren. (See general minutes, Ques. 17 and 18.)

Under question 20 the following elders were called and their characters passed, they rendering their reports: H. E. Partridge, B. E. Ledbetter, J. F. Marshall, R. H. Howren, E. L. T. Blake, J. G. Graham, W. M. McIntosh, A. A. Barnett, H. L. Miller, C. S. Byrd, J. S. Collier, J. H. D. McRae, J. D. Rogers, T. J. Phillips, J. R. Sharpe, W. S. Richardson, E. H. Giles, G. D Turner, S. E. Phillips, J. C. Ley, W. M. Poage, W. C. Collins, R. L. Honiker, J. P. DePass, J. T. Duncan, J. B. Ley, N. R. Hamer, C. L. Patillo, J. W. Folsom, H. H. Kennedy, F. Pasco, T. W. Moore, J. Anderson, C. A. Saunders, R. L. Wiggins, W. H. Steinmeyer, T. Bishop, F. R. Bridges, T. S. Armistead, W. H. Parker, E. C. Castlebery, E. F. Ley, C. E. Pelot, G. W. Mitchell, A. E. Householder, T. J. Nixon, J. R. Taylor, J. L. Taylor, S. B. Black, W. C. Jordan, J. A. Castel, C. A. Fulwood, W. H. F. Robarts, H. B. Someillan and R. H. Barnett.

The Bishop presented a list of the ordinations on Sunday. (See Gen-

eral Minutes.)

The Publishing Committee for the Florida Christian Advocate was appointed.

E. L. T. Blake addressed the Conference in the interest of the preach-

ers' Relief Fund.

The Publishing Committee announced that, according to the authority onferred on it by a Conference resolution, Rev. J. Anderson, D. D.,

had been chosen as editor of the Florida Christian Advocate ad interim. Conference adjourned with singing, and benediction by the Bishop.

FIFTH DAY- AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:30 P. M., Bishop Key in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by C. A. Saunders. Minutes read and approved.

Report of the Board of Education was read and adopted.

The sum of \$1,152 was raised or pledged to assist the Florida Conference College.

T. W. Moore was called to the chair by the Bishop.

Report of the Committee on Bible Cause was read, pending which Rev. Z. A. Parker addressed the Conference. Report adopted.

Dr. J. Anderson, editor elect of the Florida Christian Advocate, addressed the Conference.

The Joint Board made its report, which was adopted and funds distributed. By resolution, the Board was authorized to appropriate an unapplied balance to Rev. S. Woodbery.

Report on Temperance was read and adopted, after Dr. Younge had addressed the Conference.

Conference adjourned with the devology and benediction by the President.

FIFTH DAY-NIGHT SESSION.

The Conference met at 7 P. M., Bishop Key in the chair. The opening service was conducted by W. M. Waller.

H. E. Partridge made a report of the statistics.

R. L. Honiker read the report of the Sunday-school Board. Adopted. Bartow was, by unanimous vote, elected as the place for the next session.

Bishop Key presented the claims of the Paine Institute, and W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner, addressed the Conference.

On motion of F. Pasco, \$50 was assessed to each district to be collected by the Presiding Elders and forwarded to the Commissioner.

A resolution of thanks was adopted; also one fixing the lay representation in the District Conference.

W. J. Dowell, in a neat speech, presented to the Bishop in the name of the Class just received into full connection, a framed picture of the Class. The Bishop on receiving it responded felicitously.

The Conference sang, "Come let us join our friends above," and was led in prayer by the Bishop.

A memoir of David W. Core was read by J. C. Ley, and of John R. Crowder by R. H. Barnett.

W. M. Walter and R. O. Weir made remarks concerning the death of Sister Kennedy, wife of Brother H. H. Kennedy, of this Conference.

The Bishop announced the Joint Board of Finance and the Visiting Committees.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop read the appointments for 1888, and after the doxology, and the benediction by the Bishop, the Conference adjourned size die.

RESOLUTIONS.

THANKS.

Resolved, That the Florida Conference, in annual session assembled, extend our most hearty thanks to the citizens of Leesburg for their generous and hospitable entertainment; to the management of the steamboat for an excursion tendered on beautiful Lake Harris; to the several Churches for courtesies extended; to the F. R. & N., and S. F. & W. R'y Companies; and to the hack lines for special rates.

J. B. LEY, T. J. EUANS.

EDITOR OF THE ADVOCATE.

Resolved, That the editor of the Florida Christian Advocate shall reside at or near the place of publication.

H. W. LONG.

Resolved, That under pressure of time and circumstances, that the Publishing Committee be requested to supply an editor to act ad interim until the next session of Conference.

J. T. BERNARD,
E. J. HOLMES.

LAY REPRESENTATION IN DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That in addition to those whom the discipline declare members of the District Conference, four delegates from each pastoral charge shall be elected to the Quarterly Conference.

II. E. PARTRIDGE, T. W. TOMKIES.

REV. J. P. DE PASS.

WHEREAS, Rev. J. P. DePass, an instrument fitted by nature and talent, and appointed by God to project and set on foot a doubtful enterprise, has seen proper to resign the editorship of the *Florida Christian Advocate*, therefore,

Resolved, That we tender Bro. DePass our thanks for the zeal, indomitable energy and push which has characterized his labors and made certain the existence and success of our Church organ, and that we offer him our prayers for his peace, happiness and success, in whatever field of labor he may be assigned under the providence of God.

W. N. SHEATS

PREACHERS' RELIEF FUND.

WHEREAS, We have an incorporated society under the name and style of "The Trustees of the Preachers' Relief Fund of the Florida Annual Conference, M. E. Church, South," the object being to create a fund for the relief of worn-out preachers, and the widows and orphans of such;

AND, WHEREAS, by the individual efforts, chiefly, of Dr. Blake, chairman, the Society has acquired in money and property values about \$2,500 for this most worthy object;

. AND, WHEREAS, we deem the purpose of said Society wise and laud-

Resolved, That each clerical member of this Conference be requested to raise the sum of ten dollars during the coming year to add to said Relief Fund, and every year following until this resolution be repealed.

W. S. RICHARDSON.

MINUTES.

Resolved, That we appreciate the efforts of our editors for some years past in issuing our minutes, and are sorry they have been so embarrassed in lack of funds, so much so this year as not to be able to issue them.

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Second, That Bro. H. E. Partridge and F. R. Bridges be elected editors and publishers of our minutes, who agree to assume all financial diabilities and furnish the minutes within one month after the adjournment of Conference.

ment of Conference.

Third, That we give these editors our hearty endorsement, and will assist them in every way possible.

C. E. PELOT.

RESOLUTIONS OF FORMER CONFERENCES.

S. S. MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Resolved, That a Missionary Society be organized in each Sunday School.

MISSIONARY COLLECTION.

Resolved, That collection for Foreign Missions be taken by May 1st.

PASSAGE OF CHARACTER.

Resolved, That no preacher's official character shall pass unless he can report that the collections ordered have been taken up.

EDUCATIONAL COLLECTION.

Resolved, That the collection to aid in the education of young men preparing for the ministry shall be taken by the Presiding Elder.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

"It is recommended that in every case where the Church is about to acquire property, either by purchase or donation, that a lawyer be employed or solicited to make out the deed and obtain an abstract of the title, and thus be assured of the validity of the same. We recommend,

also, that the trustees of such property be required, as soon as possible after they are put in possession of the deed and abstract, to make a copy of the abstract and forward to the Secretary of the Conference, in order that it may be properly filed in the archives of the Conference, so that at any time required any desired information may be had of the title of Church property." Report of Committee on Church Property at sessions of December, 1886. Adopted.

WORTH KNOWING AT CONFERENCE.

All statistical reports should be handed in on the first day of the Conference to the Statistical Secretary. A duplicate of same from every charge which received a missionary appropriation should be handed to the Secretary of the Conference Board of Missions.

A written statement concerning the case of each claimant on the Conference collection residing in his charge, should be furnished by the preacher in charge to the chairman of the Joint Board of Finance.

Monies for the several collections should be enclosed in envelopes each fund separately—and the envelope endorsed with the object of col-

lection, amount, name of charge, district and preacher.

Money, both for Foreign and Domestic Missions, should be paid to Rev. F. Pasco, Treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla., who will remit that for Foreign Missions to Nashville (Conference resolutions), thus every charge

will be sure to get full credit on our Conference books.

Other monies should be paid or remitted as follows: For Church Extension, Woman's Department of same, and Preachers' Wives' Loan Fund to C. W. White, Treasurer, Citra, Fla.; Conference Collection and Bishops to A. J. Phares, Treasurer, Yalaha; Ministerial Education to W. M. Poage, Secretary, Orlando; Conference College to J.W. Moore, D. D., agent, Fruit Cove; Sunday School Fund from Children's Day, to J. Lenfestey, Treasurer, Tampa, (who will remit ten per cent., as the law directs, to Nashville); Preachers' Relief Association Fund to C. M. Brown, Treasurer, Ocala, Fla.; Conference Relief Association to Rev. A. A. Barnett, Treasurer, Live Oak.

THE PREACHERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION is a fund, the interest on which is designed to supplement the allowance from the Joint Board of Finance to our disabled preachers and to the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers. Lands and cash contributions will be received.

The Church should respond liberally in building up this fund.

THE CONFERENCE RELIEF ASSOCIATION is a mutual association to provide a certain amount to a preacher's wife or family at his death, each participating or clerical member paying five dollars, and each contributing member paying one dollar on the death of participating members. Every itinerant preacher should belong to the association for the good he will do, if not for what he will receive. Send your name to Rev. A. A. Barnett, Secretary, Live Oak, Fla.



DAVID W. CORE.

BY J. C. LEY.

Rev. David W. Core was admitted on trial in the Florida Conference at Talahassee, January, 1871, and was appointed to Liberty Mission, which work he served two years. In 1873 he was on Crawfordville Circuit; 1874 on Union Circuit; 1875, Apalachicola; 1876, Fruitland Mission. In 1877 he located, but was re-admitted at the next session and sent to Apalachicola. During his pastorate here, in 1878, his health failed and at the next session he took a superannuated relation, which he retained until his death, which occurred on the 28th of April, 1887.

While knowing nothing of the early life of our brother, we have, however, known him long and well as a devoted Christian minister. His success as a minister was largely due to his earnest zeal and devoted life. He preached from the heart and to the heart. Some nine years ago he was stricken with paralysis, since which time he has been a great sufferer, yet his sufferings were borne with great patience and unfeigned faith. In the midst of deep affliction he never lost sight of the cross, nor did he ever doubt the love of his Father. He had the confidence and sympathy of the entire community in which he lived, but sympathy, prayers and tears could not hold him, and he has peacefully passed to his reward. When he could no longer speak, by signs he said, "All is well."

REV. J. R. CROWDER.

BY REV. R. H. BARNETT.

Rev. J. R. Crowder was transferred to the Florida Conference from the South Georgia Conference, January, 1884. The first year of his connection with us he served the Apalachicola Station. He was next sent to Cedar Keys, where he labored one year. The year 1886 he was again in the Apalachicola charge. At our last Conference he was appointed to Manatee Station, where he died Nov. 1st, 1887.

If we have been correctly informed, Bro. Crowder was a native of Tennessee. In early life he studied law and was admitted to the bar, but never entered the practice. He was preaching in Texas, but on account of lung trouble he left there for Florida. On his way to Florida, Bishop Pierce stopped him and gave him work in the South Georgia Conference, where he remained two years before coming to us.

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He was peculiarly modest and reserved with reference to all matters pertaining to himself; hence we know nothing of his earlier life. In all positions of responsibility he was firm and bold. In personal experience he held constant, deep and sweet communion with Christ through the Spirit, and his heart warmed with Christ-like sympathy and love to all around him. He was blessed with a good education, studious habits and a great love tor God's word. This could but result in the enriching of his own experience, and in a gracious and sanctifying influence upon those with whom he associated.

Bro. Crowder was eminent for Bible study, deep spirituality and devotion to duty. So faithful was he that he counted not his life dear unto him, but made a living sacrifice of it to God for the salvation of sinners. He said to his Presiding Elder as they parted, just before his death, "When you go to Conference and have helped to station all the preachers, and you have a place left that no one else wants, give me that place." How little he thought while making that remark, that when we gathered here in our annual convocation that he would be in that innumerable assembly of the sanctified hosts, where there is always room and employment for the pure in heart.

Our lamented brother was working very hard at Manatee. His health run down. This resulted in a hemorrhage from his lungs, which brought on or was followed by congestive fever. He became unconscious soon after taking the fever, and knew nothing apparently that was going on about him during the few days he lingered. He left no dying testimony, but how much more valuable is the living testimony of the consecrated

life he lived.

As dear Brother Crowder left father and mother and all earthly loved ones, and, like his Master, took us—the Church—in place of these, and has not a relative in the State to raise a monument over him, or even plant a rose or an evergreen upon his grave, let us—his brethren—raise in our hearts a monument by which we will promise God to imitate his example in devotion to the Scripture, spirituality of heart and mind, and humble, whole—hearted obedience to every known duty.

REV. JAMES ATKINS, SR.

BY E. H. HARMAN.

A prince in our Israel has fallen. Rev. James Atkins, Sr., was born in Lawrence District, S. C., February 25th, 1817, and died in Talahassee, Fla., May 17th, 1886.

Between these dates, a life beautified, mellowed, and perfected by the Holy Ghost, figured conspicuously in the history of Southern Methodism. When about grown, our sainted brother removed with his father's family from South Carolina to Alabama. He was admitted on trial into the Holston Conference at Greenville, Tenn., in the fall of 1839, and was received into full connection in the fall of 1841. He filled for a long series of years the best appointments in the Conference; was for many

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years presiding elder, and served as agent of the American Bible Society with zeal and fidelity. His work as Conference Sunday-school Agent will remain an imperishable monument. When in full physical and intellectual vigor he had no superior as a presiding elder. He was transferred to Little Rock Conference in 1875, and stationed two years in Little Rock. He served one year as presiding elder in that Conference. The following year he was Temperance Lecturer for the Grand Lodge of Sons of Temperance in the State of Alabama. He was transferred to the Florida Conference in January, 1899; was stationed three years in Fernandina; traveled the Tallahassee District three years; and was serving Monticello Station at the time of his death. He was a member of the General Conference in 1850, 1854, 1858, 1866 and 1874. His gifts and graces were recognized as well by the General as by the Annual District and Quarterly Conferences. He was truly a workman that needed not to be ashamed.

He was first married to Mrs. Mary F. Crawford (nee Jackson), of Knoxville, Tenn. This union was blessed with six children—four sons and two daughters. The four sons are still living, and all are striving to serve God. Eight years after the death of his first wife, he married his second wife, who still survives, and whose trust is in the Lord.

The will-power of the deceased was remarkable. Often, in the latter days of his pilgrimage, he labored under great physical disability; but he had determined to die in the front ranks of Christ's conquering legions, and he accomplished much through the force of his will. A few days before he left us he told the writer that when he entered upon life he determined to succeed. This was significant language coming from the lips of a man who had achieved so much for the Church.

His devotion to our Church in East Tennessee, during and after the war, abundantly demonstrated his sublime moral courage. He was pursued by bushwhackers, repeatedly arrested, cast into prison, and threatened with death; but he could say with Paul: "None of these things move me." He never ceased from defending the Church and preaching the Gospel, and in the midst of the most adverse circumstances he stood like a stone wall—invincible and immovable. His preaching was in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. Those of us who saw only the setting sun, could form no just idea of its meridian splendor. The distinguished Dr. Wm. E. Munsey, used to say that he was the most purely eloquent man he had ever heard speak. Through his preaching many will shine as the stars forever and ever.

The culmination of the life so feebly sketched, was truly grand. The writer, who was present, realized, perhaps as never before, that—

"The chamber where the good man meets his inter Is privileged beyond the common walk." Of virtuous life, quite on the verge of heaven."

When asked about his spiritual state, his answer was: "There is not a fear, not a cloud, not a doubt; glory be to God." Then the chariot of Israel came along, and his soul mounted to the Lord.

REV. U. SINCLAIR BIRD.

BY H. E. PARTRIDGE.

U. Sinclair Bird was born in Charleston, S. C., July 18, 1828, and died at Peru, Hillsboro Co., Fla., July 3, 1886.

The seeds of the truth, early sown in his gentle heart and watered by the dews of Divine grace, soon sprang up, and, under the quickening rays of the Sun of Righteousness, grew and yielded the virtues and graces so marked in the character and life of our beloved brother.

He was converted at Charleston Camp Ground in 1837, and became a member of "old Bethel Church" in Charleston. His young life, spent in this city, was marked by the same characteristics of purity, gentle-

ness and consistency that adorned his later years.

In 1844 he was licensed to preach, and in 1845 was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference, but traveled only one year because of ill health. From 1845 to 1869 his home was in Charleston, where he was for some years connected with the staff of the *Charleston Courier*. During this period, Aug. 28, 1862, he was married to Miss Lillie Jervey, the tender, trusting little woman who became the mother of his two noble boys, and who, in much suffering, so cheerfully shared his after itinerant life until graciously called to rest.

December, 1869, Brother Bird was admitted on trial into the Florida Conference, and was appointed for the two succeeding years to Monticello, and in 1872 to Lake City. Tormented by asthma—"his thorn in the flesh"—he decided to try the climate of Colorado, and was transferred to the Denver Conference in 1873, and appointed by Bishop Pierce to Denver. The rapidly failing health of his wife, however, caused him to stop in South Carolina, and there, during that year, his beloved Lillie entered her heavenly rest. Three years of rest from work, but not from pain. Fernandina as a supply in 1876; and there again the following year, having been transferred back to Florida. Appointed to Lake City in 1878, but changed during the year to Monticello, which he served also in 1879; Tampa from 1880 to 1882.

In 1883 he was appointed to Spark's Chapel, Key West. On January 17th, 1883, he married Mrs. Mary C. Brown (a daughter of the late Rev L. G. Leslie), and thus reinforced by the practical judgment, earnest piety and tender devotion of a noble woman, he went with brave heart to his last and perhaps most successful work. For more than three years he labored among this "island people," warning, exhorting, comforting, instructing and confirming them in the faith of the Gospel. Like his devoted co-laborer, Rev. Robert Martin, pastor of the First Charge—who received appointment to Key West at the same time and died the year before—he shone among them. How they loved him! And not they only, but all who knew him felt the force of his pure and unselfish Christian life. "He was a Christian gentleman," was a general judgment concerning him. Bro. Bird's intellectual attainments were of high order. With vivid imagination, pure taste and clear perceptions of what was true and beautiful, developed by reading, study, and the associations of cultured society, he was a polished preacher, a charte MEMOIRS

writer and a charming conversationalist. The rhetorical beauties of his sermons did not, however, obscure their forceful truths, nor smother the holy fire that burned in the heart of the preacher. He spoke with clearness, earnestness and unction, and often thrilled the hearts of his hearers by his fervid appeals and exquisite pathos. Both his experience and his sermons were cast in the furnace of affliction. Throughout the years of his ministry he was a sufferer. Often he entered his pulpit after a night of pain, and preached when scarcely able to stand. Often was he found at the bedside of the sick, ministering the consolation of the Gospel, when needing in his own frail body the ministration of others. Through all, however, he murmured not, but maintained a cheerfulness as striking as it was beautiful. The sparkle of his brown eyes, the smile on his firm-set lips, the cheery light in his sunny face revealed the serene, patient, trustful soul within. Even when the forces of life were being driven back, he worked on, prayed on, trusted on " rejoicing evermore." And when the closing walls were shutting out the light and crushing out the life, he writes to his friend and presiding elder, "My faith was never so strong; my trust never so implicit. The will of the Lord is my will. God is very near me all the time, and fills my soul with the joy and comfort of His grace." The night before the vital spark was quenched, and shortly before he sank into unconsciousness, in talking to his wife of his intense sufferings, he shouted alcud the praises of God. Exultingly he declared, "I would not take millions of worlds for my religion in this time of trial, I have always been poor-always a sufferer, but I thank God for it all. And bless the Lord! as my dear people at Spark's Chapel often sing, 'Twill all be over soon." '' Soon after this triumph over pain and death, he sank into slumber, from which he awaked in Heaven. "Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

REV. STERLING GARDNER.

BY J. C. LEY.

Rev. S. Gardner was a native of Georgia, and was educated at the "Labor School" at Oxford, Ga. He was piously reared, and at an early age embraced religion and joined the Methodist church. Early called to the ministry, he was admitted on trial into the Florida Conference in December, 1859. His first six years were spent on Blakely, Trinity, Decatur, Grooverville and Liberty Circuits. From 1866 to 1871 he served Key West station (now First Charge), excepting 1868, during which he occupied a supernumerary relation. In 1872 he traveled the Micanopy Circuit. In 1873 he was superanuated, which relation he occupied until the time of his death on the 21st of September, 1886. While on the active list he did efficient service to the Church. As a preacher he was clear and forcible in the presentation of doctrinal truths. His faith was strong, and he preached expecting and realizing encouraging results. For several years past his friends observed an increasing eccentricity, which finally developed into insanity, and he became an inmate of the State Insane Asylum, where he died. Even while there, however, he would preach, it is said, with clearness and force.

But the warfare is over, and he rests from the conflicts of life. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

REV. WILLIAM E. COLLIER.

BY R. H. BARNETT.

Rev. W. E. Collier was born in North Georgia, April 1815, and died October 9th, 1886, in Ft. Myers, Fla. He was converted in early life and foined the Methodist church. Graduated at Cokesbury College. Wasicensed to preach and joined the South Carolina Conference at the age of twenty. After a few years he located, in consequence of feeble health-He then moved to Georgia, studied law, and was a counsellor at the bar for a few years. Then he became a physician, and for many years was successful in this profession. He was employed as army surgeon during the last Indian war in Florida, and also during the Confederate war. Brother Collier joined the Florida Conference in 1859, and traveled three years; was readmitted in 1865, and continued his connection with us until his death. He was married to Miss Sarah A. Holmes, daughter of a faithful local preacher, with whom he lived about forty-six years. The shared with him the sorrows and joys of life in the true spirit of wifely She preceded him to the grave and the glory world by only They were blessed with eight children, five sons and three two months. Four of these still live to cherish the memory and emulate daughters. the example of their consecrated parents. One of their sons, Junius S. Collier, is now an honored member of this Conference.

, Brother Collier, though a man of feeble health, was remarkable for labors abundant, and for enduring hardships for the Master's kingdom. When on the Tampa District he was at times away from home for months, and had to reach his Quarterly Meetings by traveling on horse-back through those low, wet prairies, where in some places it was more than a day's ride between houses. While laboring on that district he became deeply interested in the salvation of the few Seminole Indians in South Florida. He represented their condition and wants to the Bishop and Missionary Board. They decided to make an appointment of a missionary to that field, and he volunteered and went alone far beyond the white settlements, and would spend weeks hunting them out among the cypress swamps and telling them as well as he could about Jesus. His heart yearned for the conversion of these South Florida heathens as long as he lived.

Father Collier claimed the blessing of perfect love at Peace Creek Camp Ground some years before his death. On proper occasions he would confess this blessing humbly, yet clearly, and with confidence. He lived the experience. As death drew near his mind was sadly clouded and wandering on all other subjects; but when Christian experience was referred to, he thought and spoke definitely and correctly to the last. The day before his death he said to his pastor: "Tell my brethren of the Conference that the Gospel they preach is all I have left in death, but that it is all sufficient."

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

According to the report of the President of Emory College, at Oxford, Ga., that institution at the close of its first half century is doing a noble work; and, having a glorious record behind it, faces the future with fresh enthusiasm and increased facilities. It has 208 pupils now under its care, of whom 90 are new students; 70 per cent. are members of the church; and as many as 25 are looking to the Gospel ministry. Its patronage, as Dr. Hopkins forcibly puts it in his report, qualifying as it may be compared with the past, seems pitiful enough, and the gifts that have reached its treasury seem niggardly enough, when we consider that it represents 137,265 Methodists in the three patronizing Conferences. Its aims and needs ought to be more fully known, and its claims more adequately pressed upon the mind, heart and conscience of the Church.

Wesleyan Female College at Macon, Ga., likewise in its 50th year, has 300 pupils and is in a prosperous condition. We are pleased to note the faithfulness of the faculty, and the proficiency of the pupils, as shown by the report of the Board of Visitors. Especially is the moral and religious training afforded worthy of note. About 80 per cent. of its pupils last year were members of some evangelical church, while 39 out of 45 of its graduates were professors of saving faith in Christ. We commend its work and its interests to the prayerful consideration of our people, and urge upon all who send their daughters abroad, seeking higher advantages than can be procured in our own State, to send them to this time-honored institution.

Our own Florida Conference High School and College, Leesburg, Fla, is yet an infant, and is the child of many prayers and of fond and sanguine hope. It demands special recognition and interest, as designed to meet an imperative demand of our work, and affording a golden opportunity for the promotion of Christian education in our State. It has a faculty of 4 faithful and competent teachers, and 75 scholars; and its property is estimated to be worth \$13,000. It is well patronized in the community, but only to a limited extent from abroad. The prospect was encouraging for the present session until the yellow fever panic came upon us. The time has come when prompt, decisive, effective action must be taken to put it upon its proper footing as a Conference College in fact as in name. The Florida Conference cannot afford to have it wear the name without its measuring up to it in its work. The fault is ours. Our preachers and people must realize the situation and take hold of this enterprise. It must be pressed. The active effort of

every preacher, and every member, and every friend of the Church is needed. The present liabilities of the institution amount to \$1,800, and there are assets in notes and land amounting to about \$1,300 (outside of value of property used), no part of which is available now. There is pressing need of financial aid. Your committee recommend: 1, That a collection be taken during this session of the Conference to meet this need. 2, That the institution be called the Florida Conference College. 3, That the Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. T. W. Moore as agent to travel through the Conference territory and urge the claims of the school, securing pupils, and appealing to our friends for the money needed for its establishment on a sound and ample financial basis. We also recommend the appointment of Rev. Pasco as Principal of Duval High School in Jacksonville.

H. H. KENNEDY, Chairman.

EDUCATION OF YOUNG PREACHERS.

The Board does not donate, but lends its movies to the young men aided, which they are to refund in case they fail to enter the ministry in the Florida Conference. Provided that for every year's service in the Conference they receive a credit on their notes of \$100. The first efforts of the Conference in the education of young ministers was suggested by Rev. Josephus Anderson, D. D., and what of success there was achieved was largely due to his earnest, persistent efforts and influence. young men from Florida were maintained in college for about W. H. LaPrade at Emory; and T. W. Smith and H. E. Partridge at Wofford College. In 1869 the Conference declined to continue its efforts in this work; and other Conferences taking up the young men, we lost the first two-one joining the North Georgia, the other the North Carolina Conference, Brother Partridge coming back to us and being now a member of this body. At the Conference of 1886, upon resolution offered by Revs J. P. DePass and H. E. Partridge, the present Board was organized, its object being to aid in the education of the children of our deceased preachers. A few years later the Constitution was changed, and the Board restricted to extending aid to young men preparing to enter the ministry, the Presiding Elders being charged with the collection of the assessment. Under the first feature, Geo. B. Glover, M. D., of Monticello, Fla., was educated; and Rev. W. M. McIntosh, now of this Conference, under the present policy of the Board. Besides these, aid has been extended to some others who were at school only a few terms. We are now aiding E. K. Whidden, J. P. Durrence, Arthur Penny and J. E. Mickler. Last year each district was assessed \$100. Out of 94 charges, 24 reported nothing. Only 35 raised in full the small assessment placed upon them. the record from the Districts: Tampa, 19 charges, 11 in full, 4 in part total, \$71.26; Orlando, 18 charges, 8 in full, 9-in part—total, \$69.61; Talahassee, 12 charges; 5 in full, 5 in part-total, \$66.55; Gainesville, 14 charges, 4 in full, 7 in part—total, \$60.90; Jacksonville, 16 charges, 4 in

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Full, 4 in part—total, \$38.60; Live Oak, 15 charges, 3 in ful, 6 in part—total, \$19.40; making a grand total of \$326.26, being \$53.74 less than last year. We fear the collection has not received the attention which the importance of the case demands.

W. M. POAGE.

REPORT OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD.

The Sunday-School Board of your Conference is gratified in being able to report an increase in the number of schools over last year, making our present statistics show 262 schools with 1,534 officers and teachers, and 10,767 pupils.

The interest in this important branch of our work is assuming a more healthful condition, as is evinced by an increase of 711 in the number

of pupils reported.

We desire to call the attention of our pastors to the provision of the Discipline relating to the formation of Missionary Societies in our Sunday-Schools. We heartily recommend this measure as an efficient means of inspiring missionary zeal, and lifting the coming generation of Christians into being more liberal and systematic in their contributions to our evangelizing enterprises in foreign lands.

Children's Day, we find from the reports, not to have been generally observed, and so far as the financial results express themselves, we be lieve that this also is an efficient auxiliary in our efforts for developing the grace of liberality in the rising generation. The Treasurer of our Board, Brother James Lenfesty, reports \$156.70 as the results of the ob-

servance of Children's Day in our Conference,

Our Sunday-School literature, published at our Church Publishing House, is abundant in quantity, excellent in quality, and fully up to the demands in this line. We unhesitatingly commend all our Sunday School publications, viz: The Visitor, Sunday School Magazine, Quarterlies, Lesson Leaves, and Our Little People.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we pledge ourselves to renewed diligence in fostering and advancing the Sunday-School enterprises of our Church.

2. That the 90 per cent. of the proceeds of collections taken on Children's Day, which is a fund to be appropriated for aiding destitute schools in our own Conference, be applied in the following manner: In each case where aid is sought, the preacher in charge of the work shall forward to the Chairman of this Board a statement of the number of pupils, the condition of the school, and such other facts as may be helpful to the Board, upon which the Chairman may endorse the application to the Secretary, who may draw upon the Treasurer of this Board for the amount due for supplying the needs of the school, at the rate of 10 cents per scholar. Respectfully submitted,

R. L. HONIKER, Chairman.

TREASURER SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD-CHILDREN'S DAY COLLECTION.

Tallahassee District—Tallahassee, \$21.00; Monticello, \$10.00; Concord Circuit, \$2.50; Quiney, \$7.25; total, \$40.75. Live Oak District—Madison Circuit, \$2.50; Columbia Circuit, \$2.20; total, \$4.70. Gaines-ville District—Micanopy Circuit, \$2.90; Waldo Circuit, \$1.31; Bronson

and Archer, \$1.55; total, \$5.76. Jacksonvile District—St. Paul's, \$15.00; Mandarin Mission, \$3.25; St. Augustine Mission, \$7.00; Sanford, \$7.50; total, \$32.75. Orlando District—Wildwood Circuit, \$2.15; Apopka Circuit, \$4.02; Yalaha, \$5.50; Lake Jessup Circuit, \$2.25; Brooksville, \$15.65; Maitland Circuit, \$1.00; total, \$30.57. Tampa District—Tampa, \$3.19; Alaffa Circuit, \$4.32; Bartow, \$11.60; First Charge, Key West, \$10.00; Keysville Mission, 80c.; Keystone Mission, \$11.29; Ft. Meade and Homeland, \$2.00; total, \$43.20. Grand total, \$157.73.

JAS. LENFESTEY, Treasurer.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Tallahassee—Banner School—Average, \$1.24—\$140.27; Spark's Chapel, \$43.00; Apalachicola, \$34.00; Bartow, \$28.88; Yalaha, \$25.51; Sanford, \$16.49; St. Paul's, \$16.00; Lake City, \$15.00; Tampa, \$15.00; Palmetto, \$14.50; Palatka, \$14.14; Manatee, \$12.75; Leesburg, \$12.14; Monticello, \$10.15; Live Oak (Mrs. Woodward's Class), \$10.00; Corinth Circuit, \$10.00; Ft. Green Circuit, \$10.00; Ocala, \$9.61; Anthony, \$8.60; Lake Jossup, \$8.00; Columbia Circuit, \$7.62; Myers, \$6.50; Clear Water, \$5.00; Auburndale Mission, \$5.00; Alafia Circuit, \$4.35; Ft. Dade, \$4.26; Kissimmee, \$3.40; Micanopy, \$3.00; Brooksville, \$2.90; Seville, \$2.75; Tavares Mission, \$2.50; Quincy, \$2.40; Lady Lake, \$1.30. Grand total, \$505.32. Total number of schools contributing, 33. Increase of 15 schools Decrease of \$56.70.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

These amounts, while included in the miscellaneous column in Table No. II., are not specified:

FOR BIBLE CAUSE.—Monticello, \$21.40; Tallahassee, \$30.05; Madison, \$9.75; Ellaville Circuit, \$1.00; Starke, \$10.00; Waldo, \$2.00; Micanopy, 80 cents; Ocala, \$25.00; St. Paul's, \$20.00; Jacksonville City Mission, \$2.00; Sanford, \$18.00; Maitland, \$1.50; Kissimmee, \$5.00; Leesburg, \$11.50; Tampa, \$45.00; Clear Water, \$2.00; Plant City and Lakeland, \$4.85; Auburndale Mission, \$16.50; Manatee, \$3.02; Pine Level Circuit, \$3.00; First Charge, \$2.00.

FOR PREACHERS' RELIEF FUND.—Monticello, \$174.31; Manatee,

\$30.00; First Charge, \$3.00.

PREACHERS' WIVES' LOAN FUND.—To constitute their pastor's wife a patron of this Fund—Tallahassee, Monticello, Waukeenah Circuit, \$5.00 each.

EDUCATION.—Florida Conference College, Moseley Hall and Perry, \$5.00; Jasper Circuit, \$23.00; Gainesville, \$49.00; Palatka, \$21.75 (and \$23.41 for Paine Institute); Lake Jessup, \$37.95; Apopka Circuit, \$26.00; Pine Level, \$18.50; Myers, \$31.50.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is so well understood as one of the cardinal doctrines of our church, so indespensable to the growth and development of a perfect Christianity, and its advocacy so universal and intense by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, that we regard it unnecessary at this

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stage in our history to deal in platitudes and glittering generalities in setting forth our position or duty in regard to the use and traffic in ardent spirits.

Our Church, individually and collectively, is indoctrinated on this question, and leads the van in creating adverse sentiment, in restricting, and in prohibiting the use and traffic in this powerful agency in the hands of the devil to retard the progress of Christianity.

The products of intemperance are shame, misery, crime, and the damnation of souls, which no loyal Methodist or disciple of Him who came to elevate man, can refuse to do all in his power to prevent.

It affords us pleasure to report that our Church almost as a unit was true to our faith in the recent crusades against King Alcohol within the bounds of our beloved State. With praises to God in our hearts we witness the growing sentiment and the organized Christian efforts made all over our land, North and South, to abolish whisky and dram-shops. We long, labor, pray, and see, as it were, with prophetic eye, not far in the future a Christian Nation, where the manufacture, importation, and sale of rum as a beverage will not be known. God is at work on this line, and is marshaling his hosts to effect such a result. The day is coming when the Church of God will be planted in every land, and His kingdom over all shall prevail. Brethren, let each of us have our reward in helping to bring about such a glorious result.

When we recount the battles fought in this cause in Florida since July last, and are able to report that, out of the 43 counties in the State, 23 have already voted on prohibition, 20 of these—among them many of the most prominent in the State—voted by decided majorities to close the bar-rooms, we give God the praise and take courage.

Brethren, let us see to it as a Church that prohibition does prohibit, and that the charge sneeringly made by the enemies of our God is not verified in our cases, namely, "that this Temperance sentiment is merely an evanescent wave of fanaticism soon to pass by." There is still work for us to do with whisky temporarily outlawed. It was wisely designed that the arms of Christian soldiery should never be stacked, but ever burnished and ready for service. Temperance sentiment must be widened, deepened, Christianized and sanctified. Rum outlawed does not mean that rum cannot reassert itself, slaughter and ruin its millions.

As victory was won through the organization of the moral forces of counties—so must the dominion of Christian temperance sentiment in State and Nation be set up by the continuous organization of the same forces. Some explanation and counsel may not be out of place here. Temperance and political issues should be held in perfect divorcement. Through zeal for the cause of temperance, let us not lose our balance and run into fanaticism. It becomes us as individuals and as a Church to be discreet in our utterances and alliances, and be willing to abide God's time, to employ His means and trust Him to work out this great National reform we so long to see. It is coming, let us keep the moral forces at work. There are those who wish a National political issue on this question, but as Church and State are wisely disconnected under

our government, so we think danger, corruption and defeat await us when we hitch on to the politicians to promote the interests of this great handmaiden of Christianity. Let us not surrender to politicians, but through the continuous organization of the moral forces of all parties, creeds and races, fight the battles of our Lord on this issue. Brethren of the clergy, there is work for you to do in this cause, as long as there is a layman blinded by appetite or the god of trade enlisted under the banner of Satan fighting for license-liberty so-called-and to uphold the claims of business and trade above that of order and Christianity in a community. For the preservation of your personal and ministerial influence and the honor of the Church, as the called of God, permit us to counsel you not to descend to the level of the common politician in these contests; be wise, discreet, charitable in your utterances and pure in your conduct. As far as practicable, put discreet and influential laymen in the front ranks to receive the brunt of denunciation of your opposers in these elections, while you hold yourselves in trim to reach every shade of man with the higher Christianity after the estoppel of rum is forever vanquished. We do not say that you should not stand shoulder to shoulder with your lay brother in these contests—we counsel discretion and moderation.

We cannot close this instrument without again returning thanks to God for what is now projected and has already been done for the cause of Temperance within the bounds of our Conference, in the past few months, and pray His guidance and help in the contests yet to be had in 20 counties in our State on the cause of prohibition, and that our wisdom and power may be so enlarged that with entire prohibition a perfect temperance habit and sentiment may be established.

Resolved, That as a Conference we believe the manufacture, use and sale of domestic wine is wrong and demoralizing, therefore protest against any member of our Church engaging in this business.

2nd, That we pledge ourselves to renewed zeal and efforts in waging ceaseless warfare against the liquor traffic, until entire prohibition shall prevail in precinct, neigborhood, State and country.

THEO. TURNBULL, Chairman.

ON BIBLE CAUSE.

We find: First, That the demand for the Scriptures is now greater than ever before, even in our own State. The American Bible Society has just finished the canvass of the State of Florida at a cost of thousands of dollars, and yet there is much destitution.

Second, We find that the demand for the Word of the Lord in foreign The cry from China, fields is constantly and very rapidly increasing. Japan, Africa, Europe, America, and the Islands of the Sea, is: "Send us the Book that tells us of Rest, Peace and Heaven."

When we consider that the whole world is open to the introduction of the "Book of Life," and that there are at least eleven hundred and fifty millions of people on the earth who have never seen this only "Book of Life;" and when we consider again, that the American Bible Society is publishing this Book in more than eighty different languages REPORTS.

and dialects, and has for its purpose the supply of every person on the earth with a copy of the Bible, and to do this must have the earnest cooperation of God's whole Church; and, further, that the American Bible Society is the only adopted channel of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the publishing and distribution of God's word among the people; and when we consider and are made to know, with heartfelt gratitude, that in this, our day, the Holy Bible is studied more, more generally, and with more interest and joy than ever in the history of this world before, we feel in our hearts that there ought to be a corresponding interest and activity with us all, both preachers and people, in helping the supply to those destitute of this precious word of the Lord; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the ministers of the Florida Conference, will present the claims of this great Home and Foreign Missionary Society—the American Bible Society—to every congregation in our various charges, and take annual collections for the same.

C. A. SAUNDERS, Chairman.

ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals have considered with becoming attention the communication of Rev. Dr. Barbee, agent, and accompanying statement of L. D. Palmer, business manager of our Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn. The subject matters referred to are too well known and understood by the ministry and the Church to require extended notice now. Two matters only your committee would emphasize:

To promote the growth and strength of our Southern Methodism most effectively, we must bind it together. We must cultivate Methodist tastes. ideas, sympathies and hopes, in common. We must think the same thoughts, compass the same great objects and purposes, bind our hearts together in Christian affection, and realize that, in a precious sense, we are one great family. The late Dr. Leroy M. Lee, editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate, once said: "Let us be friends; take your chair and walk into my heart and sit down there, and I'll come and sit down in your heart and we'll talk together. This is Christian friendship." Well, to bind Methodism together, we must talk with its friends and workers. We must walk into Dr. Fitzgerald's heart-loving and pure as a woman's heart—and we must commune with the sons and daughters of our Zion -we must follow the pioneer, the advance guard of our militant hostwe must hear his story of fear and hope, of suffering and triumph, of danger and during, and hold up his hands by prayer. How can we do this without the great connectional paper—the Nashville Christian Advocate? It is a weekly epistle to the Churches, to advise us how it fares with our Israel-how the tribes are led on by the pillar of cloud by day, and pillar of fire by night. Excepting the reading of our English New Testament, nothing will so stengthen and vitalize our Christian oneness as our weekly communion through our great connectional paper. duce the paper, brethren, wherever you can.

Your committee further beg leave to suggest that our brethren of the ministry do seek to become workmen that need not be ashamed; and to rightly divide the word of truth; and to be able to give a reason for our hope; and to defend with weapons of power the faith once delivered to the Church. Those who are set to teach and to preach must fill their storehouse with intellectual treasure. They must study and think deeply. They cannot afford to be ignorant of the mind of the Church and the best thought of the age. Especially to young preachers the advice may be offered-read your Methodist Review, and make acquaintance with the best Christian literature of the orthodox churches that may be accessible to you.

The report of the Publishing Committee of the Florida Christian Advocate has been referred to us, and we have given the subject matters brought to our notice the most careful consideration; and to aid in assuring the future success of our Conference paper, we respectfully rec-

ommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That the Publishing Committeee be enlarged to fifteen members, five of whom shall be an Executive Sub-Committee, of which Sub-Committee the Presiding Elder of the District in which the paper is published, and the stationed preacher in the town where the paper is published, shall be ex-officio members, and the remainder of said Sub-Committee shall be laymen resident at the place of publication, and appointed by the Conference.

2nd, That said Publishing Committee shall be appointed annually by the Conference, and be accountable to that body, and shall have, ad interim, general supervision over the conduct of the Advocate, and it shall be vested with the authority of this Conference to promote the best interests of the paper by such prudent suggestions and regulations as the Committee may deem wise, but not in conflict with contract rights.

3rd, That said Committee shall meet and organize during the present

session, or immediately upon its close.

J. WOFFORD TUCKER, Chairman.

ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

We have carefully examined the District Conference Records from the Tallahassee, Gainesville, and Live Oak Districts, and find that they The records of Jacksonville, Orhave been correctly and neatly kept. lando and Tampa were not brought to the Annual Conference for examination; however, we learn that they have also been well kept.

We hope, hereafter, that each Presiding Elder will have the records of his district conference at the Annual Conferences for examination, as the discipline directs.

W. M. McINTOSH, Chairman.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM SEVERAL CHARGES FOR CONFERENCE.

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SECRETARY OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Wakulla and Currabelle.—A. O. Hiscock preacher in charge; 7 regular appointments; net gain, 94; paid preacher in charge and presiding eller, \$298,25; raised on collections ordered by the Conference, \$17.

Liberty Mission.—W. J. Gray preacher in charge; members, 149; net gain, 60; Sunday-schools 5, members, 157; churches 4, value, \$275; parsonage value \$200, furniture, \$30; paid on salaries, \$251.65; missions, \$9.55; other collections, \$9.15; incidentals, \$89.25.

Mosely Hall and Perry.—A. H. Gibbons preacher in charge; mem bers, 183; net gain, 18; Sunday-schools 3, members, 169; churches 2 value, \$250; paid on salaries, \$119.35; missions, \$32; other collections, \$14.

Lake City.—T. J. Euans preacher in charge; members, 139; net gain, 6; Sunday-schools 1, members, 20; churches 1, value, \$2,500; organ, value, \$125; one parsonage, value, \$1,000; paid on salaries, \$465.34; missions, \$45; other collections, \$27; building, repairs, etc., \$250; incidentals, \$40; poor, \$25.

Lake Butler.—W. S. McMannin preacher in charge; members, 200; net gain, 43; Sunday-schools 4, members 96; churches 6, value, \$900; parsonage, value, \$400; paid on salaries, \$176.14; missions, :19.50; other collections, \$10.

Corinth Circuit.—C. W. Inman preacher in charge; members, 164; net gain, 40; Sunday-schools 5, members, 172; churches 2, value, \$1,500; parsonage, value, \$175; paid on salaries, \$175.87; missions, \$11; other collections, \$2.15; week of prayer, \$10.

New Harmony.-J. W. Porter preacher in charge; members, 280; Sunday-schools 4, members, 225; churches 4, value, \$1,500; paid on salaries. \$230.40; missions, \$5; other collections, \$16; week of prayer, \$2; Starke.—W. S. Richardson preacher in charge; members, 137; net gain, 41; Sunday-schools 2, members, 85; paid on missions, \$41.25; other collections, \$31.40. This work has closed its first year as a mission. It has greatly improved.

Waldo.—L. W. Browder preacher in charge; members, 108; Sunday-schools 2, members, 83; churches 3, value, \$950; organ, value \$165; paid on salaries, \$322.43; missions, \$19; other collections, \$15; building,

repairs, etc., \$50; for the poor, \$25.

Cedar Key and Elgey.—J. C. Ley preacher in charge; members, 123; Sunday-schools 3, members, 107; churches 1, value, \$1,125; paid on salaries, \$341.20; missions, \$18; other collections, \$14.00.

Wekiva and Crystal River.—T. B. Reynolds preacher in charge; members, 95; Sunday-schools, 1. All claims in full and some in excess.

Jacksonville City Mission.—R. O. Weir preacher in charge; members, 110; net gain, 50; Sunday-schools 1, members, 62; churches 1, value, \$2,500; paid on salaries, \$371; missions, \$25; other collections, \$29.00; Evangelistic services, \$76; repairs, \$50.00. Spiritual state of the church greatly improved. Collections double what they were last year.

Mandarin Mission.—Geo. G. Kennelly preacher in charge; members, 117; net gain, 49; Sunday-schools 2, members, 68; churches 1, value, \$800; 2 organs, value, \$60; paid on salaries, \$172.50; missions, \$27.50; other collections, \$25; week of prayer, \$11.50; incidentals, \$40; building, repairing, etc., \$234.

St. Augustine Mission.—J. N. Jones, preacher in charge; members, 123; net gain, 26; Sunday.schools 2, members, 141; churches 2, value, \$800; organ, value, \$75; paid on salaries, \$152; missions, \$7; other

collections, \$8.60; building, furnishing, etc., \$17.93.

Maitland Mission.—E. F. Ley preacher in charge. This work has been in existence nearly two years, and has made considerable progress. This work has raised nearly \$1,000 for all purposes.

Tavares Mission.—T. A. Johnson preacher in charge, members, 54; Sunday-schools 2, members, 60; church and lot, value, \$500; one-fourth interest in another church, value, \$600; paid on salaries. \$160.25; missions, \$7.25; other collections, \$6.50; week of prayer, \$10.70.

Lady Lake.—Sam. Scott preacher in charge; members, 162; net gain, 21; Sunday-schools 2, members, 75; churches, 2; paid on salaries, \$296;

missions, \$35; other collections, \$28.

Kissimmee and Mission.—L. W. Moore preacher in charge. That portion of the work called mission, consists of but one paying organization, and it pays but very little. Members, 40; Sunday-schools 1, members 23; paid pastor, \$63; missions, \$10. Being but a single appointment that can pay anything, and being surrounded by no other promising, places, it will either have to be dropped of a living appropriation will have to be made.

Panasoffkee Mission.—F. Pixton preacher in charge; members, 129; net gain, 4; churches 3, value, \$575; parsonage and lot, value, \$350; paid on salaries, \$233.07; missions, \$27.40; other collections, \$26; week of prayer, \$10.

Pine Level.—R. M. Evans, preacher in charge; members, —; net gain, 33; Sunday-schools 7, members, 173; churches 1, value \$100; paid on salaries, \$238.61; missions, \$31.28; other collections, \$25.49; building, repairs, etc., \$15; week of prayer, \$11.75.

Keysville Mission.—G. W. Forrest preacher in charge; members, 128; net gain, 6; Sunday-schools 3, members, 114; pafd on salaries, \$241.52; missions, \$12.50; other collections, \$5.30; week of prayer, \$3.50; incidentals, \$10.80.

Fort Mead and Homeland.—J. R. Taylor preacher in charge; members, 206; net gain, 37; Sunday-schools 3, members, 124; churches 3, value, \$2,300; paid on salaries, \$448.75; missions, \$43.60; other collections, \$37.65; incidentals, \$29; building, etc., \$342.60; other purposes, \$13.

Auburndale Mission.—I. Ryder preacher in charge; members, 145; net gain, 36; churches 1, value, \$500; paid on salaries, \$237; for collections ordered by the Conference, \$62.36; week of prayer, \$17.

REPORT OF TREASURER W. M. SOCIETY FOR 1887.

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ASSESSMENTS AND APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1888.

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COLORED MEMBERS were reported in following charges: Wakulla and Carabelle, i; Liberty Mission, 6; Apopka Circuit 1; Pine Level, 1; Myers, 1. Total, 10.

DISCREPANCIES.—The reports have been carefully compared with the reports of Treasurers, and in some instances there were discrepancies. The Treasurer's figures have been followed to insure an accurate summing up. In Table I. apparent losses may be accounted for by change in the Circuit lines; so also gains. The first have, as far as we know, been marked with *, the second with †. The net gain or loss has, as far as possible, been calculated from figures of 18%.

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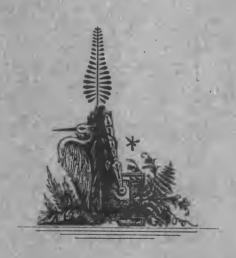
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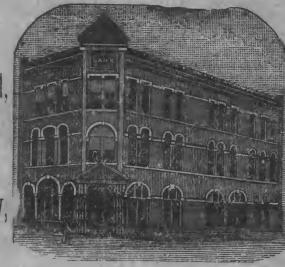
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